

Deputies' Meeting

Wednesday, 11 February 1953

PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Wolf, Becker, General Truscott, [] 25X1

Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted an article in the NEW YORK TIMES of 9 February written by Reeves Childs and asked DDP to obtain a copy, if possible, of the Byroad letter mentioned therein. In connection with this and similar articles, Mr. Dulles stated it was absolutely necessary that they be brought to his attention immediately and, while Col. Grogan could not be expected to be knowledgeable of all of our activities and therefore select items in the press of current interest to the Agency, it was necessary that some office assume this responsibility. After some discussion, the Acting Director stated that possibly this service should be performed by someone in AD/CI's office.

b. Noted a letter of appreciation to [] and asked [] to prepare a letter to the Secretary of State for his (A/DCI's) signature, pointing out the excellent cooperation rendered by [] to CIA. A copy of this letter to be furnished [] 25X1
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c. Stated that during his conversation with Senator Saltonstall yesterday the Senator had suggested that the proposed legislation concerning the appointment of Gen. Cabell as DDCI would be more acceptable as a general rather than a personal bill and accordingly this legislation was being redrafted by Mr. Houston. Mr. Dulles went on to say that Senator Saltonstall had also suggested that we might wish to amend the National Security Act of 1947 in order that the DDCI might be an active officer of the Military Services. However, he (A/DCI) was of the opinion that such an amendment might consume a good deal of time in receiving approval.

d. Stated he would see Gen. Truscott and others as appropriate at 10 a.m. on 13 February to discuss problems pertaining to [] and also asked Gen. Truscott to see [] in New York in connection with [] activities. 25X1
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Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted the Alsops' article in today's WASHINGTON POST and also directed attention to another article in the same paper concerning Chinese guerrilla forces.

b. Reported he had been advised that the Department of State would press for the transfer of [] to CIA and possibly [] 25X1

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Mr. Wisner (Cont'd.)

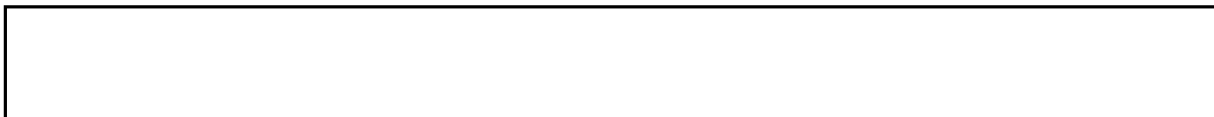
services might be utilized in the DDI area. After some discussion as to [redacted] capabilities, Mr. Becker stated he would talk to him. However, he would make no commitments in regard to employment.

c. Noted he had just received a report that there had been a student uprising in Guatemala which apparently amounted to nothing.



Mr. Becker:

a. Stated that (1) the revision of SE-27 would take about three weeks (2) Mr. Cutler had been so notified and had indicated his approval.



c. Stated that reports were being received that the ChiComs were building up along the South Coast and in Southern China in addition to the build-up in Korea as previously reported.



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